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Mr. Peter Camp

Snohomish County Hearing Examiner

Subj: Public Comment for Point Wells Hearing

Dear Mr. Camp,

I have lived in Woodway for 5 years and have a house on 1/3 acre with a peekaboo view of Puget Sound and the Olympics. I love Woodway because it is such a small community and is very quiet and rural. There are only 465 homes in Woodway and about 1,300 residents. I can walk the streets at any time of day and encounter very little traffic.

I am so happy that the County Planning Staff is recommending to deny the Point Wells application for a variety of deficiencies. I am 100% in support of the County Planning Staff's recommendations to reject the Point Wells' application. All my neighbors agree with me.

In my mind the proposed Point Wells project is out-of-scale, out-of-touch, and out-of-control. If it goes forward it will destroy the ambience and quality of life in Woodway, Richmond Beach and Edmonds. If it goes forward it will stress our ecosystems, our infrastructure, and our safety. If it goes forward we will have 5 times as many residents within 1/2 mile of our house and we will no longer be living in an idyllic rural environment. Point Wells, simply put, is an affront to my life and lifestyle - and should never have been allowed to proceed without voter approval 6 -7 years ago!

My concerns align with the County Planning Staff with respect to the scope and scale of the project and its impact on the environment, the safety of residents, and the general well-being of residents.

The 2nd access road hasn't been well conceived. It will dump unwanted traffic into Woodway. Woodway has no sidewalks - just marked walking lanes on one side of the roads. With increased traffic it will be very unsafe to walk my normal routes. I understand that the 2nd access road will traverse very unstable and steep terrain - and may not even be feasible to build. If the developer hasn't responded to the County's concerns by now - why should we give him more extensions? This should be a deal killer by itself!

The proposed 90 ft. and 180 ft. skyrise buildings are an affront to all Snohomish (and Shoreline/Richmond Beach) residents. Where else north of Seattle on the waterfront are there any developments of this scale? There are none! If I wanted to live in a desnsely populated urban area I would have bought a downtown condominium in one of Seattle's highrise buildings. I chose not to, and I chose Woodway. Why does the developer have the right to ruin my quiet, rural lifestyle and living space? Why were Woodway and Richmond Beach and Shoreline residents never given the opportunity to vote on Point Wells? Why has the developer not even solved the problem of mass transit for buildings over 90 ft.? Why are there no buildings near Puget Sound north of Seattle that are more than 5 stories tall? Why should Woodway and Richmond Beach/Shoreline residents have their quiet communities ruined overnight with Point Wells skyscrapers, urban density, and harmful quality of life impacts?

Why has the developer not proposed a valid shoreline management program? How can a project of such scale not disturb the sensitive watershed, the Puget Sound, and the wildlife supported by it? Why has the developer not addressed environmental and ecosystem management? Again, this is an affront to me and my children - and after all these years of application extensions it seems clear to me that the developer has no solution, and furthermore, no respect for any current homeowners, any future generations, and our environment in general.

Given all of these issues and given the fact that the developer has had over 5 years to address them - and has failed to do so - I hope you will agree with the County Staff recommendation and will reject the Point Wells development application and will support myself and ALL Woodway, Shoreline, and Richmond Beach residents who are opposed to this ill-conceived, undesirable, and deficiency laden project.

Sincerely,

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